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Grits auction memorabilia off on EBay

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FUNDRAISING Alberta's Liberal party is hoping to pay off its large campaign debt by auctioning off memorabilia on EBay.

Among the items for sale is Laurence Decore's briefcase debt clock from the 1993 election, used to illustrate Alberta's growing debt.

There are also three photos of the party's 1998 leaders' debate when it was interrupted by a falling lamp. The photos are signed by Tories, including former premier Ralph Klein.

The last bid, as of yesterday afternoon, was \$500 for the clock. No bids have been placed for the photos, which start at \$300.

"Here's your chance to own a great Canadian political artifact," reads a statement on the site. There are eight days left to bid.

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Protesters raise a "stop the tarsands" poster as Conservative Leader Stephen Harper makes a campaign stop in Edmonton last night.

Harper hits town

Tory leader gets smeared over tarsands oil at local rally

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Close to 1,000 Conservative party supporters roared and cheered for Conservative Leader Stephen Harper at an Edmonton pep rally as they packed a small room north of downtown last night.

"This country does not need higher taxes, this country doesn't need a higher tax, and this country does not need to go back into deficit," Harper told supporters in the Ra-

mada Hotel and Conference Centre. The vow was met with deafening cheers from the pro-Tory crowd.

"What this country needs are sensible investments targeted to grow our economy and improve the lives of everyday Canadians."

Harper said those investments include \$43 million in fuel tax funding to support the new Alberta Art Gallery in Edmonton, funding nanotechnology, cash to boost the city's transit security and investing in a new interchange on the Queen Eliz-

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abeth II Highway. "In troubled economic times, Canada needs a proven, prudent plan," said Harper. "Canada needs to keep moving forward on lower taxes."

As soon as Harper walked up the podium three Greenpeace protesters unfurled a large banner that read "World's dirtiest oil. stop the tarsands," just steps behind and left of the Tory leader.

The three demonstrators held onto the banner for about two to three minutes before a handful of security escorted them out of the room.

Near the end of Harper's speech, a supporter required medical attention after fainting to the floor. It was the second such instance in a day. Another supporter tumbled in Victoria during an earlier Harper campaign stop yesterday.

Harper is expected to make a campaign stop in Calgary today.

Police still clueless in Garneau Rapist case

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CRIME Police in Edmonton are no closer to catching a man known as the Garneau Rapist, and are running out of leads, an investigator said yesterday, warning women that he is still out there.

"We don't want people to become complacent," Staff Sgt. Brian Readman said at a news conference yesterday.

"There's no reason to believe that another event will not occur," he said, adding that six weeks have passed since the last reported attack.

Three women in the Garneau area and one woman in the Aspen Gardens area were raped over the summer. All four victims were alone in their homes at the time of the attacks.

So far, the only description given is of a man wearing dark clothing and a facial disguise. "If we had a good composite or a concrete suspect, we'd be asking assistance in locating that person and getting that information out, but we don't," Sgt. Readman said.

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On Monday, the Canadian Pacific Spirit Train will be rolling through Edmonton, and bringing with it a cargo of entertainment. The train is an initiative of CP to bring the Spirit of the Olympic Games to everyone in Canada. The train is rolling through 10 Canadian cities this fall, and will be at WP Wagner School (6310 Wagner Road) from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. **METRO EDMONTON**

Local



Hunting for new skills

Duck! Tomorrow is provincial Hunting Day, a time to teach younger Albertans the importance of hunting and how to be a good hunter. Ted Morton, Minister of Sustainable Resource Development, hopes to get young people away from video games and television, and out in the woods with a rifle.

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Kevin Smith breaks silence in city show

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It's true, Silent Bob speaks.

In fact, Bob's alter-ego, Kevin Smith, says that it's tough to get him to shut up when he's on stage — good news for those coming out to the Winspear on Sunday, the setting for An Evening with Kevin Smith.



Kevin Smith

"The show could run anywhere from two hours to eight hours," he said adding that he plans to be as long-winded as the venue will tolerate.

It's not the first time the bearded indie-film legend has been to the 780, and

says that he's stoked to have a legit reason to wear his trademark treachcoat.

"Any place that requires layers is music to a fat man's ears," Smith said, praising the ever-dropping temperatures of fall in the Great White North.

And it's not just the cold weather Smith digs about our home and native land. Aside from the fact Canadians are all-around funny cats (or beavers), he loves Glosette chocolate-covered peanuts, hockey, and Western Canadian, uh, shrubbery.

"Red, white, but never blue, eh?" he said, coining his new slogan for the country. "I think it's genius and somebody can make a mint off that. And there should be a bumper sticker, T-shirts, and a bunch of souvenir postcards that you can

Tickets

• For tickets to An Evening with Kevin Smith, which range from \$49.50 to \$69.50, visit the Winspear Centre box office online, or Trixstar Productions at www.trixstar.ca.

buy at Canadian border crossings."

Just having left Toronto for the film fest, the Alberta mini-tour will be the second time Smith has travelled north in one month.

The informal show will be 100 per cent audience interactive with no topic off-limits.

"I provide the a's and they provide the q's. They rarely have anything to do with filmmaking, which I find really funny. It's not the Q and A that Woody Allen or Spike Lee gets."

Melting proves hazard lights were on: Expert

CRASH Semi-truck driver Amarjit Virk sat with his head against the prisoner's box yesterday in Court of Queen's Bench, when an accident reconstructionist put the pieces back together of a fatal crash that killed six oilpatch workers.

Former RCMP officer David Evert Hall testified as an expert witness for the Crown yesterday. In his testimony, he explained his assessment of the accident scene, and that the fila-

ments from hazard lights on the bus had been melted, indicating that they were illuminated at the time of the crash.

"It's called 'hot shock,'" he said. "If the lights were off, the filament would have just broken."

Hall also noted that the high beam bulbs were not distorted, indicating to him that they were not on at the time of the crash.

During the accident recreation, Hall noted the

point at which the reenactment the semi-truck started to brake for the bus, 336.2 metres north of the first skid mark left on the road.

He described a combination of "flesh and fabric" that was embedded into the road, and said the bus had crushed two passengers.

Six died and 21 were injured in the catastrophic collision on May 20, 2005. Virk is up on 27 charges in relation to the accident.

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Model and anti-smoking activist Anna Bertram checks out the non-smoking area outside the Edmonton Sutton Place Hotel.

Model of good health

SMOKING A Canadian model/actress is putting a pretty face on quitting smoking.

"Smoking for young girls in modelling, in particular, is a way for them to adultify themselves a little bit, and that's where there's a trap," said Anna Bertram. "What you perceive as being a harmless cigarette can become a terrible addiction."

Bertram says she quit smoking eight years ago, but she struggled with the addiction since her teens, and hopes to take the appeal out of tobacco for girls with a media blitz.

"Modelling in general tends to be a little bit glamourized. I think every environment has its smokers, but because models are appealing to people, there's a 'cool factor' associated with it," she says, adding she tried to quit smoking three times before succeeding.

She hopes to flip the script and become a "young, fresh, nice-looking" role model for youth, and a face of success after smoking. "I can relate to those girls that have that pressure to fit in, and it's just not worth it."

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News in brief

RECALL The Canadian Food Inspection Agency confirmed sandwiches recalled due to a listeria bacteria scare are not linked to the Maple Leaf Foods recall earlier this month. Sherwood Park-based Hygaard Fine Foods notified the agency on Wednesday after testing confirmed the bacteria was present on meat-cutting machinery. The company recalled 16 types of sandwiches, commonly sold in convenience stores and gas stations. For a complete list of recalled products, visit www.inspection.gc.ca.

RING ROAD Premier Ed Stelmach grabbed a shovel and pounded it into the dirt to kick off construction on the north-west leg of Anthony Henday Drive yesterday. The ring road will stretch over 21 km, and the roughly \$1.42-billion project will be funded through a 30-year public-private partnership (P3) with Northwestconnect. The company, made up of Canadian and international contractors, will partly finance the project, along with building and operating the roadway expected to be completed by 2015.

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Edmonton's Pop Culture Fair will be held this Sunday. If you're looking for anything related to music, sports, movies, comics, cars, or brand names, you'll find it at the fair. The event runs from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and will be held at the Mayfield Trade Centre. Admission is \$5. **METRO EDMONTON**

Conservatives to battle it out

Even if the right wing vote splits in Edmonton-Sherwood Park because of two conservative candidates, one is still going to be on top after the election, says Independent candidate Jim Ford.

"If you took the number of people who vote conservative and divided it by two, I would still be 10,000 votes ahead of the Liberals," said Ford.

He has decided to run against Tory candidate Tim Uppal after he was defeated in the Conservative Party nomination and he didn't like how it was handled.

"I don't want to split the vote, but at the same time, when I tell voters what the odds really are, they feel more relieved," said Ford. "And a backbencher is always weaker than an independent."

Ford has also received high praise by former conservative politicians, including an endorsement from former area MP, MLA and Conservative Party heavyweight Peter Elzinga.

Brian Labelle, an NDP candidate for the riding,

"A backbencher is always weaker than an independent."

Jim Ford, candidate

says the right-wing split will have an effect on other candidates, but admits he isn't paying attention to their campaigns.

Labelle, whose father was convicted for threatening to harm Premier Ed Stelmach's farm, says his father's past won't become an issue during the campaign.

"I am more interested in talking about what I would like to do for the citizens of Sherwood Park than what relatives of mine did when they were intoxicated," said Labelle.

Other candidates running for the riding include Nina Erfani, an Athabasca University teacher, for the Greens. Rick Szostak, a university professor, is a Liberal candidate for the riding.

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Coun. Dave Thiele speaks yesterday at 91 Street and 23 Avenue, about speed boards.

City to slow speeders using speed boards

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The city is hoping to curb collisions by making speeders aware of how fast they are driving.

The city's transportation department will be leaving five speed boards along roadways that are a transition from highway to urban driving, says traffic safety co-ordinator Gerry Shimko.

When drivers approach

the board, the machines will flash the speed of the vehicle.

The number will blink if the motorist is going faster than the posted speed limit.

"Research says they actually do work," said Shimko.

"There are enough studies done on this that show people do slow down when they approach these boards."

Coun. Dave Thiele, who spoke to media in front of

"Research says they actually do work."

Gerry Shimko, traffic safety co-ordinator

one speed board on 91 Street near 23 Avenue yesterday, said speeding is a major problem in Edmonton.

"People should not be driving at speeds like that in our streets," said Thiele.

"It's absolutely insane."

Subject of student allergies added to school program

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The provincial government says a new program to train teachers about food allergies is so far getting top marks from parents.

The province mailed out resources to schools on how staff can better prepare themselves when it comes to dealing with a food aller-

"This brings peace of mind to my family."

Charlene Anderson, mother of 10-year-old student with severe peanut allergy

gy crisis involving a student.

The resources included awareness materials, training resources and auto-injector devices used when someone is having a major allergy attack.

Julian DiCasteri, a school principal at Albert Lacombe School in St. Albert, says staff have access to each student's allergy history.

Parents are all given red guides to help prevent a future crisis, the principal

said.

"You always have to read the label, but it's still not the be all and end all when it comes to dealing with allergies," said Charlene Anderson.

Her 10-year-old daughter, Brielle has a severe peanut allergy and is a student at the school.

"This brings peace of mind to my family," she said.

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A Barrie, Ont. man who spent 10 years in a psychiatric hospital for the shooting death of an Ottawa sportscaster was sentenced to two years in prison yesterday for assaulting a U.S. border agent in Buffalo, N.Y., last November. Jeffrey Arenburg assaulted the border guard less than a year after he was released from psychiatric care. **CBC NEWS ONLINE**

Canada

Language matters: StatsCan

Children whose parents immigrated to Canada from Asian or South Asian countries are twice as likely as children of Canadian-born parents to finish university, Statistics Canada says. Language seemed to play a role in university success. The study found that children who spoke Chinese at home outstripped second generation Chinese kids who just spoke English or French. The same was true for children with parents from India. **TORSTAR NEWS SERV.**

Earth's oldest rocks Canadian

SCIENCE A tract of bedrock on the eastern shore of Hudson Bay contains the oldest known rocks on Earth, formed 4.28 billion years ago, scientists said yesterday.

The rocks may be remnants of Earth's primordial crust, which formed on the planet's surface as it cooled following the birth of the solar system, according to Jonathan O'Neil of McGill University in Montreal. **REUTERS**

News in brief

RECALL Canadians should not eat, distribute or sell White Rabbit brand candy, the Canadian Food Inspection Agency warned yesterday. The popular Chinese confection may be tainted with melamine, CBC News Online reports.

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Anthemic Olympic slogans

Vancouver 2010 to welcome all comers 'with glowing hearts'

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Metro Canada



Quebecers

• During focus testing, Quebecers said they were happy the French motto, Des Plus Brillants Exploits, was not just a translation of the English motto.

A pair of phrases from O Canada will welcome the world to Vancouver in 2010, Olympic organizers announced yesterday.

VANOC has chosen With Glowing Hearts and Des Plus Brillants Exploits (from the English and French versions of Canada's national anthem) and has even applied to have the phrases trademarked.

"We weren't just looking for words," said VANOC CEO John Furlong. "We were looking for words that represented a certain spirit ... and there's no more revered words than these two sets

in our entire country.

"We all love them, live them every day, and we thought it was a wonderful complement to our own spirit."

The slogan was one of hundreds brainstormed, said Ali Gardiner, VANOC's director of brand and creative services.

"When it bubbled up, everyone knew that it was the one," said Gardiner.



Olympic and Paralympic athletes, from left, Denny Morrison, Carol Huynh, Daniel Wesley and Duff Gibson, with VANOC CEO John Furlong at the unveiling of the slogans in Vancouver yesterday.

Teen guilty in Toronto terror trial

TERRORISM A 17-year-old Muslim convert was convicted in a landmark decision yesterday when a judge ruled there was overwhelming evidence that he belonged to the so-called Toronto 18.

The young man, accused of attending two terrorist training camps and stealing items for the group, displayed no emotion when the verdict was read.

"(The youth) clearly understood that the camps were training for a terrorist purpose," said Justice John Sproat as he read from part of his 94-page decision. "He also understood that contributing materials to be used at the camp enhanced the ability of the group to conduct the training." **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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Asked about his party's stand on abortion yesterday, Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion declared, "I am pro-life. I am for the right of women to choose." An aide quickly clarified that Dion meant to say he was "pro-choice." **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Election 2008



Time to speak out

Elizabeth May says environmental groups being muzzled

Green party Leader Elizabeth May says Canada's leading environmental groups are being silenced during the federal election because some fear retribution from a new Stephen Harper government, and others are stymied by federal rules.

During a meeting with the Toronto Star's editorial board yesterday, May said there has never been a more important time for public debate on the environment.

Not only are voters deeply interested in green issues, she said, but the next government will leave its imprint on the future of greenhouse gas emissions when world leaders converge in Copenhagen next year for their final meeting before the Kyoto Protocol runs out in 2012.

"That is why I went into politics, because every group in this country is being muzzled at the very time that they need to get their voices raised the loudest," said May, who ran the Sierra Club of Canada until becoming Green party leader in 2006.

"What a crime it is that David Suzuki can't say a thing in an election campaign because the Suzuki Foundation will lose its charitable status. This is appalling."



Green party Leader Elizabeth May makes a point yesterday during a Toronto Star editorial board meeting. May said this is an important time for public debate on the environment.

"That is why I went into politics, because every group in this country is being muzzled at the very time that they need to get their voices raised the loudest."

Elizabeth May

May said two issues are at play:

- Fear among many environmentalists that the Conservatives, if re-elected, will cut funding or deny meetings with political leaders to

groups that were openly critical during the campaign. May said the B.C. chapter of the outspoken Sierra Club felt a political sting late last month when a signed government contract

for a local climate-change action program was unexpectedly cut by the Environment Ministry.

- Groups registered as charities fear they will face audits that could lead to a loss of their status if they speak out, because Canada Revenue Agency rules prohibit charities from partisan political action during an election. These rules apply to all charities, not just environmental groups.

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Numbers

Bloc support on the rise in Quebec

POLL Conservative support in Quebec is slipping amid mounting criticism over arts cuts and harsher penalties for youth criminals, leading to a resurgence for the Bloc Québécois, a new poll suggests.

The day-by-day poll by Harris-Decima shows eroding support for the Conservatives and NDP, while the Bloc is up.

From Sept. 15 to yesterday, the Bloc's support increased to 39 per cent from 31 per cent. The Tories yesterday stood at 23 per cent, down from 27 per cent on Sept. 15.

The survey of 307 Quebecers has a margin of error of 5.5 percentage points, 19 times out of 20, and is part of a rolling poll of 1,243 Canadians across the country.

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Dion attacks PM on economy

Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion has a message for the prime minister: It's the economy, Stephen.

Dion yesterday launched a vigorous attack against Harper's "incompetence" on the economy, charging the Conservative government has been blind to the financial turmoil in the United States.

Dion jumped on the stark warning delivered by U.S. President George W. Bush Wednesday night as proof that Wall Street's dramatic financial woes will spill over into Canada.

"Today, Mr. Harper is perhaps the only Canadian who seems to ignore what is happening in the United States, our largest trading partner," Dion said in a speech to the Quebec Chamber of Commerce.

"This is the height of irresponsibility. We cannot pretend that Canada will not be affected by what George Bush said (Wednesday) night. And he said



Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion speaks to members of the Quebec Chamber of Commerce in Quebec City.

that our entire economy is in danger."

Harper has repeatedly sought to reassure Canadians that the economy here remains fundamentally strong, a theme he continued yesterday.

"It's not the time to do anything new, wild or stupid," Harper told reporters in Victoria, B.C.

"I think this will contin-

ue to be a slow and a tense and a somewhat difficult period. I think we will be fine — not great — but we will be fine."

But Dion mocked that outlook, claiming that Harper has a "laissez-faire, we-don't-care" attitude that rejects government involvement to spur the economy.

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Issues

Tories put women at risk: Group

ABORTION The Conservative government is eroding women's reproductive health and right to abortion "by stealth," a group of advocates representing labour and women's rights charged yesterday morning.

"There is a clear anti-abortion hidden agenda at work that puts women's health at risk," said Carolyn Egan of the Abortion Rights Coalition of Canada.

At a news conference, the groups representing the Canadian Labour Congress, the Quebec Federation for Family Planning and the Ottawa Coalition to End Violence Against Women called on all individual candidates and party leaders to clearly state their views, and their political intentions, challenging them to oppose any moves to extend "personhood" or legal rights to fetuses.

They did not limit their criticism to the Conservatives, but reserved especially harsh comments for the government after its announcement in August that it would bring forward a bill this fall to allow harsher penalties for offenders who cause injury or death to a fetus during an assault on a pregnant woman. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

News in brief

CONSUMERS In an appeal for support from consumers annoyed by high gas prices and computer spam, Prime Minister Stephen Harper said yesterday in Victoria that if the Conservatives are re-elected he would move to curb Internet abuses, outlaw charges for unsolicited commercial text messages, and send inspectors to check the accuracy of gas pumps.

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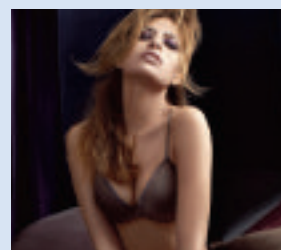
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Election 2008

Election Tour Canada

Highlights of the week's election campaign from Metro newsrooms across the nation

CALGARY

Calgary Centre Conservative incumbent Lee Richardson took his moment in the spotlight of controversy after connecting immigration with a rising crime rate, spurring calls from competing candidates for his resignation. Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion made his first appearance of the campaign in Calgary at a town hall meeting Monday night, shooting down an offer from NDP Leader Jack Layton to form a coalition in order to guarantee the ousting of Conservatives from power.

VANCOUVER

It was another wacky week out West as a third NDP candidate dropped out of the race, while old blogs came back to haunt one of the Tories. Julian West, candidate for Saanich-Gulf Islands, quit after admitting to skinny-dipping in front of minors during an environmental conference 12 years ago. Two other NDP hopefuls had already dropped out because of past pro-marijuana endorsements. Conservative Ryan Warawa, who's still in the running in Vancouver-East, allegedly supports the legalization of pot and prostitution in

brothels, according to a series of 2004 blogs that resurfaced recently. A spokesperson for the party acknowledged the posts Tuesday and said Warawa now supports the party's platform. Warawa didn't speak for himself and neither did another Conservative candidate, Dona Cadman, who was shielded by the RCMP from answering reporters' questions Tuesday night. This led to accusations by the Liberals that the Mounties were used as a "political tool."

HALIFAX

The biggest election news in

Halifax this week was about a former candidate. Rosamond Luke, who was a hand-picked Conservative candidate for the NDP stronghold of Halifax for just two days, was accused of financial mismanagement by the women's organization she helped found. Board members say Luke, who made \$60,000 a year, wrote \$85,000 in unapproved cheques she couldn't back up. Luke resigned as the candidate after a criminal conviction came to light.

OTTAWA

On Monday, the

Conservatives chose the Ottawa-Vanier riding — a downtown district that has been struggling with youth-related crime — to announce they would toughen the Youth Criminal Justice Act and increase the budget of the Youth Gang Prevention Fund to \$10 million per year. NDP Leader Jack Layton continued his Quebec charm offensive in Gatineau last week, campaigning on the Quebec-side of the national capital for the third time since the election was called. Conservative candidate Brian McGarry, who has lost more than 100 signs to vandals or

thieves since the election call, formally complained to police this week after witnesses claimed to have spotted two people remove a Tory sign and replace it with a Liberal sign. The Liberals denied the allegations, saying they were shocked by it. All parties have complained of vandalism and stolen signs in the riding.

TORONTO

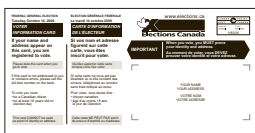
The Conservatives took a PR hit early this week when their ex-candidate for Toronto Centre, Chris Reid, resigned after comments on his blog, calling for the legalization of concealed handguns, became public. Not the smartest move for someone who was courting the vote of constituents who haven't forgotten the fatal January shooting outside of local strip club Brasserie. Some of Canada's most recognizable stars gathered in The Big Smoke Wednesday to tout homegrown arts and answer Harper's insinuation that the nation's artists are elitist, freeloading whiners. The cast included actors Colm Feore, Gordon Pinsent and Wendy Crewson, who argued the arts provide 1.1 million jobs and \$86 billion to the gross domestic product. "Stephen, the arts is the economy, stupid," said Karl Pruner, president of ACTRA.



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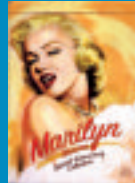
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World



Owner wants Marilyn nudes back

A photographer has sued for the return of seven photographs he took of Marilyn Monroe in the nude during the legendary "last sitting" in a hotel room just weeks before her death. Photographer Bert Stern, who owns the rights to thousands of Monroe images, shot the photographs in question in July 1962 at the Bel Air Hotel. He is demanding the prints from three people who obtained them. **REUTERS**

Bailout in 'limbo'

McCain blamed for derailing Bush's plan

A rescue for the U.S. financial system unravelled yesterday amid accusations Republican presidential candidate John McCain scuppered the deal.

U.S. lawmakers had appeared close to a final agreement on the bailout, but an emergency White House meeting between Congressional leaders with U.S. President George W. Bush "devolved into a contentious shouting match," according to a statement from the McCain campaign.

In advance of that meeting, which included the two men battling to succeed

Republicans tout alternative

• The plan proposed by the Republicans calls for the government to offer insurance cover-

age for the roughly half of all mortgage-backed securities that it does not already insure.

him, Barack Obama and McCain, a compromise bipartisan deal seemed imminent. After the session, congressional leaders said an agreement could take until the weekend or longer.

Democratic Rep. Barney Frank said negotiations would continue today, but with no sign that House Republicans would take part. Republican U.S. Sen.

Richard Shelby bluntly told reporters: "I don't believe we have an agreement." He later said the deal was in "limbo."

A group of Republican lawmakers proposed an alternative mortgage insurance plan. Democrats said McCain had scuppered the anticipated agreement by throwing his support behind that scheme. **REUTERS**

Debut Sir Paul wows Israel



Paul McCartney gave his first concert in Israel yesterday before tens of thousands of cheering fans in Tel Aviv, 43 years after the Beatles were barred from singing there because of fears they could corrupt youngsters.

Canadian denied bid to see father

ISRAEL A Canadian woman and her two teenage daughters are surviving on hand-outs and sleeping on the floor of a mosque because Israeli authorities won't let them enter Gaza to visit the woman's ailing father.

Saadiya Joha has sought help from the Canadian Embassy, but says officials there declined to assist her. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

News in brief

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Motlanthe takes office

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Motlanthe, deputy leader of the ruling African National Congress, was

overwhelmingly elected earlier by parliament in a secret ballot and will serve as interim president until a general election next year when ANC leader Jacob Zuma is expected to become head of state.

The ANC withdrew its backing for Mbeki on Saturday after a judge suggested he had interfered in a

graft case against Zuma, his arch rival, who toppled him as head of the party last December.

In his acceptance speech after being sworn in, Motlanthe also stressed continuity with the policies of Mbeki, who presided over the longest period of growth in South African history.

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Peru Moms, tots behind bars



MARINA KAZANTSEVA

Inmates take care of their children during a party for the children inside Santa Monica women's prison in Lima, Peru. The prison allows the children of the inmates to stay with their mothers until they are three years old.

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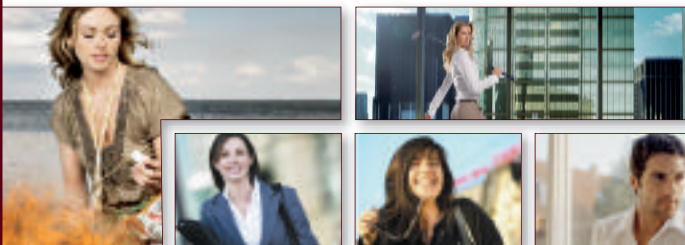
FUEL Gas shortages in North Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee and Florida in the wake of Hurricane Ike have driven some desperate consumers to cut in line, get into fights and hoard gas, among other things.

PARTNERSHIP Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin said he wants to look at nuclear co-operation with Venezuela after meeting President Hugo Chavez yesterday.

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Bailout plan 'bold and timely': Bank of Canada

Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney threw his support behind Washington's "bold and timely" \$700-billion US financial industry bailout package yesterday, saying it could minimize the economic cost and duration of the global credit crisis if well-executed.

He said Canada's financial institutions were much better capitalized

than their U.S. and global peers, but warned that the Canadian economy is not immune to the fallout from the global crisis.

Carney said several articles of faith in the financial system have been shaken, but noted that the plan would steady balance sheets, markets and troubled assets, and signalled the "cathartic ... beginning of the end."

REUTERS

Oilsands upgrader delayed

OIL The planned \$4-billion Heartland oilsands upgrader has been mothballed due to skyrocketing labour and material costs, Canwest Global reported yesterday. The story said construc-

tion on the planned 77,500 barrel per day facility in Strathcona County has been delayed three or four years.

The facility's first phase was scheduled to be completed in 2011.

REUTERS

Business in brief

AIRLINES An analyst is predicting ACE Aviation Holdings is ready to buy the remaining 25 per cent of Air Canada and dissolve the structure as planned.

BANKS JPMorgan Chase has acquired certain assets of Washington Mutual for \$1.9 billion US after the bank was closed by regulators yesterday. **REUTERS**

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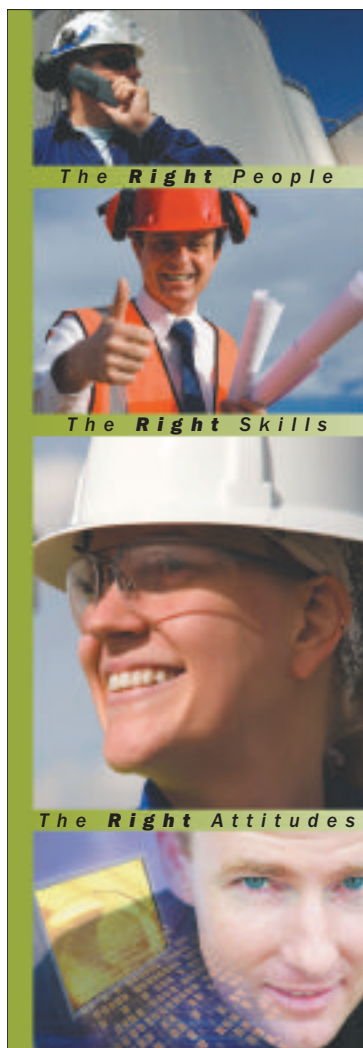
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The San Francisco 49ers announced yesterday they will retire the No. 8 jersey of former quarterback Steve Young, the 11th player to be so honoured in team history. The ceremony will take place at halftime of San Francisco's game against New England on Sunday. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Sports



Patriots' Brown retires

Troy Brown, left, the all-time leading receiver in New England Patriots history, announced his retirement yesterday. Brown, 37, was not offered a contract by the Patriots this season, and did not catch on with another team. The 15-year veteran spent most of the 2007 season on the physically unable to perform list.

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Dumbest sports quote ever

• Bleacher Report lists this comment from Fox broadcaster Terry Bradshaw as the dumbest of the Top 25 sports

quotes in history: "I may be dumb, but I'm not stupid." For the complete list, visit www.bleacherreport.com.

No NHL squad enters this season with a more impressive blend of experience and young talent than the Edmonton Oilers, which is why many shrewd hockey followers figure they will:

- Challenge for a division title.
 - Emerge as the league's most improved team.
 - Establish themselves as the top contenders in Western Canada.
- The Oilers, in fact, are in the upper echelon of teams likely to capture the Stanley Cup this season, according to the latest odds. Oddsmakers are rating the Oilers as 20-to-1 possibilities for NHL supremacy. They were 100-to-1 longshots at

this time last year. Canadian teams below the Oilers on the oddsmakers' list these days are the Ottawa Senators (22-to-1), the Calgary Flames (25-to-1), the Vancouver Canucks (44-to-1) and the Toronto Maple Leafs (100-to-1). The Montreal Canadiens are among the NHL's favourites, at 8-to-1.

The Pittsburgh Penguins also are at 8-to-1, while the Detroit Red Wings are favoured to repeat as champions, at 7-to-2.

• The Oilers hope to add a quality defenceman and are dangling veteran goaltender Dwayne Roloson as trade bait. Mathieu Garon will be Edmonton's starting netminder ... The St. Louis Blues covet veteran

Brendan Shanahan, who hasn't received a contract offer to re-sign with the New York Rangers ... Ottawa shot-callers speak daily to representatives of Mats Sundin. They're in relentless pursuit of the Swedish veteran ... Forward Ryan Malone can't get over his departure from the Pens. "Being from Pittsburgh," he said, "you have a lot of pride pulling that jersey on. To not get a serious offer from them was so weird." Malone is with Tampa Bay this season ... Malone's new Lightning coach, Barry Melrose, has been replaced as ESPN's hockey analyst by ex-NHL pest Matthew Barnaby.

• If J.P. Ricciardi returns as Blue Jays general manager

er next season — and that's more likely now than it was a month ago — he'll go hard after Rafael Furcal, who will be a free agent after his injury-plagued season with the Los Angeles Dodgers. Ricciardi's top two priorities: A productive shortstop and leadoff hitter. Furcal could be both.

• The Washington Post reports Chicago pitcher Ryan Dempster is living out "The American Dream" as he walks four blocks daily to Wrigley Field for home games and pitches in a baseball-mad city where the Cubs have a shot at winning their first World Series title in 100 years.

Thing is, Dempster is Canadian. He's from B.C., and, before next season, he wouldn't mind signing as a free agent with the Jays.

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Blue Jays give Gaston 2-year deal

MLB The Toronto Blue Jays announced a contract extension yesterday for repeat manager Cito Gaston, who has done well enough in his stint this season to earn the job through the 2010 season. Gaston, 64, returned to the dugout for the Blue Jays after John Gibbons was fired on June 20. The Blue Jays have gone 48-36 under Gaston entering play last night, and are 83-75 on the season after a 35-39 start under Gibbons.

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Sports in brief

NHL Marc-Antoine Pouliot scored the deciding goal in the shootout on a backhand to carry the Edmonton Oilers to a 3-2 pre-season win over the Florida Panthers last night.

NBA Sweet-shooting but off-injured guard Allan Houston has signed with the New York Knicks and will attempt another comeback with his former team. Houston signed a free-agent deal yesterday.

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Esks recovering from fumbles

ROBIN BROWNLEE
for Metro Edmonton

With a short week to wipe a butter-fingered display of ineptitude against the Montreal Alouettes from their memories, the Edmonton Eskimos have to get a grip in a hurry.

Embarrassed 40-4 last Sunday in the most lopsided game of coach Danny Maciocia's tenure, the Eskimos face the Winnipeg Blue Bombers tonight needing to shake off their worst performance in recent memory.

How bad was it? The Eskimos fumbled five times and lost them all. Anthony Calvillo strafed them for 414 passing yards in just over three quarters of work with a quick-strike aerial attack. Montreal had 570 yards of total offence. And it could have been worse,

had the Alouettes eased up. That bad.

"We made too many mistakes and we've got to get them cleaned up," quarterback Ricky Ray said. "We turned the ball over, we're giving up sacks. We're doing all the things you're not supposed to do."

Losers of two of their last three games, the 7-5 Esks are 2-4 on the road as they face the

Bombers to kick-off a home-and-home series that'll see a rematch at Commonwealth Stadium Oct. 4.

Turning things around won't be easy. Ray has looked ordinary his last three times out. After throwing a rash of interceptions in recent weeks, he got knocked around by Montreal's defence. Jason Maas finished the game.

On the other side of the ball, Edmonton's defence has been less than stellar during this 1-2 stretch. Exposed by Calvillo, the Esks will be facing another quick-hit pivot in Winnipeg's Kevin Glenn.

While the Bombers are a modest 4-8, they come in with two straight wins after edging Hamilton 25-23 last weekend.

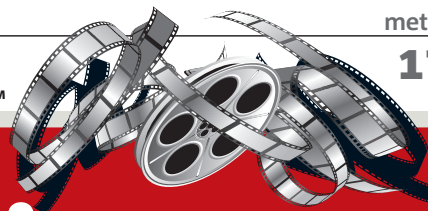
"We have to get back to what we should be doing," said receiver Kamau Peterson. "This is the second or third week where it just hasn't felt right as an offence."

Tristan Jackson fumbles during the Montreal game.



Secret smoked out

Acting veterans Clark Gable, Spencer Tracy and John Wayne were paid to promote smoking during Hollywood's "Golden Age", it has emerged. The stars received huge cash sums to advertise tobacco, according to researchers at the University of California at San Francisco. IMDB.COM



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One of the lucky ones

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Instead of an incendiary drama about returning vets desperately trying to fit back into normal life, *The Lucky Ones* deals with troops coming home in a conventionally life-affirming manner. Rachel McAdams plays Colee, who sets out to return her boyfriend's guitar back to his family after he dies saving her life.

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Eagle Eye's a loud, frenetic, expensive action flick.

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Terry Lynn delivers dizzying mix of reggae and house.

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Great cast but Rodanthe's script wastes actors' talent.

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Michael Pena, Rachel McAdams and Tim Robbins play soldiers returning home from the Iraq war in *The Lucky Ones*.

Lucky Ones a bland flick

KEVIN COURRIER
for Metro Canada

The Lucky Ones

Director: Neil Burger
Stars: Rachel McAdams, Tim Robbins, Michael Pena
Classification: 14A
Rating: ★★

REVIEW Many of the Iraq War movies of the last few years, both good (*Redacted*) and bad (*In the Valley of Elah*), have been angry, anti-war arguments.

Given the unpopularity of the war, the reaction isn't surprising. But Neil Burger, the director of *The Illusionist*, takes a different turn in *The Lucky Ones*.

Instead of an incendiary drama about returning vets desperately trying to fit back into normal life,

the picture deals with troops coming home in a bland and conventionally life-affirming manner.

Using William Wyler's classic 1946 drama *The Best Years of Our Lives* — about Second World War vets facing difficulties coming home — as his model, Burg-

er unfortunately simplifies the conflicts.

The *Lucky Ones* is *The Best Years of Our Lives* reconceived as a sitcom.

The story focuses on three soldiers: T.K. (Michael Pena), wounded by shrapnel in the groin; Cheever (Tim Robbins) returning home to a broken family; and Colee (Rachel McAdams) who sets out to return her boyfriend's guitar back to his family after he dies saving her life.

Although Burger tries to show how these soldiers are returning to heal both physical — and emotional —

wounds, every plot point (including T.K.'s impotence) becomes a metaphor alert.

The hardships encountered on their travels, from St. Louis to Las Vegas, become tired episodes of character building.

In *The Illusionist*, Burger told a satisfying, old-fashioned story about the illiveness of magic because he turned the clichés of the genre into elegant tricks.

But *The Lucky Ones*, relying on cheap and easy ironies, takes the road to recovery with highly predictable results.

Lee gives fans, critics lots of fuel in *St. Anna*

RICK MCGINNIS
Metro Canada

Miracle at *St. Anna*

Director: Spike Lee
Stars: Derek Luke, Michael Ealy, Laz Alonso
Classification: 18A
Rating: ★★

REVIEW It's hard to pick a film with Spike Lee's name on it that wasn't controversial, but the director got off to an early start this time by provoking a word war with Clint Eastwood, accusing the director of two films about Iwo Jima of being racist for not depicting black soldiers onscreen.

Lee's latest film is doubtless the sort of thing he was suggesting Eastwood should have made, and it's loaded more than enough for Lee's critics and fans to fight about in weeks to come.

Using a real-life massacre of innocent civilians by German troops as his inspiration, Lee's film follows a quartet of black GIs who are cut off from their unit behind enemy lines.

They rely on a remote village to hide them, and the wounded and traumatized little boy one of them has adopted, while their commanding officer demands that they bring back a captured German to confirm an imminent attack.

Like any war film, the men inhabit distinct character types — you might even call them clichés if you wished to be unkind.

There's the dutiful and conscientious leader (Derek Luke), the cynical bad ass (Michael Ealy), the religious everyman (Laz Alonso) and the childlike giant (Oman Benson Miller).

The Italians they encounter are just as archetypal, from the smoldering village hottie (Valentina Cervi) to the guilt-haunted partisan leader, and the crusty old Fascist with a heart of gold.

Lee has clearly been studying his war films, and there are shots and whole scenes that evoke precedents from *Von Ryan's Express* to *The Big Red One*, but the film has a looseness and disjointed continuity that suggest a drastic editing down that is only partly mitigated by its lunge into the fantastical at the end.

Despite his habitual contentiousness, Lee is still a marvelous craftsman, and when something works it really works, though not enough to make *Miracle at St. Anna* anything like an unqualified success.



Four black GIs are cut off from their unit in Spike Lee's new film.

Moore can't believe the shock over *Blindness*

Julianne Moore and Mark Ruffalo star in *Blindness*, about a mysterious virus that robs people of their sight.STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

FEATURE Julianne Moore doesn't know what the big deal is. Her latest film *Blindness* — it opens next Friday — has been getting noticed for its audacious look at humanity's breakdown during times of crisis.

Sure, it includes some shocking moments — like a scene where a group of seemingly civilized women hand over sex for food — but as the four-time Oscar-nominated actress wonders: What's the big surprise?

"People have been horrified by the rape scenes but that's routine in war times," says Moore during a recent interview in Toronto. "It's a violent crime, it happens all over the world all the time when people are not being so-called civilized so there's nothing that happens in this movie that we're not capable of."

It's a frightening possibility; perhaps that's partly why José Saramago's acclaimed novel has taken ten-plus years to get to the big screen.

In fact, it was a Canadian (Don McKellar) who finally

adapted the gripping story of a city gone blind by a mysterious virus. As the film exemplifies, morals crumble under duress and life can swiftly unfold into chaos.

"Sadly, I don't think we do anything in this movie that is particularly unusual that we haven't seen in the news," insists Moore.

"When we first walked in and saw the set of what the wards were supposed to look like after (they've been quarantined with the infected), it looked just like the Super Dome during (Hurricane) Katrina. I mean it looked exactly like that."

The authenticity of the sets only added to the ease of preparing to play the only person left with (in this case) the disability to see. Moore, who also starred in the 2006 dystopian drama *Children of Men*, insists such a bleak role is always easier to play than fantastical characters.

"If I had to emotionally say, 'Hey, I can be invisible', I don't know if I could figure out what that felt like," admits Moore. "But if it's something I've read about in the newspaper and I know people are actually capable of doing it then I can figure it out."

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Spielberg's Eagle Eye lacking in insight

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

Eagle Eye

Director: D.J. Caruso

Stars: Shia LaBeouf, Michelle Monaghan

Classification: 14A

Rating: ★★

REVIEW When Steven Spielberg first came up with the idea for *Eagle Eye*, it probably seemed like an outrageous science fiction story.

Now, some 10 years later — and having handed the reins over to *Disturbia* director D.J. Caruso — *Eagle Eye* may be a high-octane, car crash-filled action flick, but it hardly contains the insightfulness of what it truly needs to work.

In an odd combination of *North by Northwest*, *The Fugitive* and even *2001: A Space Odyssey*, *Eagle Eye* features Shia LaBeouf as Jerry, an unmotivated slacker who unwillingly gets paired up with single mom Rachel (Michelle Monaghan) after the duo receive mysterious phone calls from a strange female voice saying they've "been activated."

As such, the unlucky

couple are cast on a dangerous unknown mission, while all kinds of technology — like cells, traffic lights, ATM machines — is manipulated along the way.

There is a twist to the plot that I won't spoil here, but unfortunately, the big revelation is too late into the film and of little shock value to really pay off.

The film's actual underlying intent is to shed light on society's complacency with surveillance and it even attempts to take a political stance towards national security.

While *Eagle Eye* only grazes these intriguing ideas, it also upstages



Shia LaBeouf finds himself "activated" in *Eagle Eye*. Director Steven Spielberg first came up with the idea about 10 years ago.

them with endless shaky-cam car and foot chases.

This is where *Eagle Eye* will pay off for most

moviegoers: As a loud action flick with little to of-

fer but nonsensical stimulation.

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REVIEW *Nights In Rodanthe* is Diane Lane's latest exercise in middleage wish fulfillment — and it's a shame that such a talented actress has been reduced to a career of terrible romantic fantasies.

Unfortunately, when an actress hits 40 in Hollywood she can either appear in interesting supporting roles every five years or star in splashy and trashy romances like this.

Lane is strong enough as an actress to actually pull off some of the clichéd and unbelievable scenes that her character has to go through, but her performance is not enough to save this lame duck of a movie.

Lane stars as Adrienne Willis, a recent divorcee struggling to decide whether she wants to reunite with her ex-husband.

She takes a weekend trip to look after a friend's inn and is surprised to discover that the only guest in the hotel that weekend is a

Nights in Rodanthe

Director: George C. Wolfe

Stars: Dianne Lane, Richard Gere

Classification: PG

Rating: ★★

lonely doctor, played by Richard Gere.

How convenient is that? Think these two lonely hearts will turn out to be an unlikely pair?

It's all very predictable and emotionally simplistic. At one point, Gere is able to overcome the emotional tragedy of inadvertently killing a patient simply

by apologizing to the family.

James Franco pops up in a cameo role as Gere's son, but his scenes are depressing to watch because they show just how easily a good actor can be made to look silly by bad material.

The same sentiments can be applied to the film as a whole.

It's a very glossy Hollywood production with a big-name cast, but with a script this tired, the work of everyone involved goes to waste.

Rockwell and cast don't choke in Choke

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada



REVIEW It's nearly impossible not to compare *Choke* to the 1999 hit film *Fight Club*. The most obvious reason: Like *Fight Club*, *Choke* is based on a novel by Chuck Palahniuk, one of today's most gifted/twisted authors.

Choke also shares many of the same deviant themes explored in *Fight Club*, but truth be told, that's where the parallels mostly end.

Sam Rockwell (*Matchstick Men*) plays Victor, a sex-addicted scam artist who, when he's not working his dead-end job at a



Sam Rockwell plays a sex-addicted scam artist in *Choke*.

colonial theme park or visiting his demented mom (Anjelica Huston) at a mental hospital, he's willfully choking in restaurants to earn the trust of rich patrons to save — and thereby feel indebted to — him.

While that may sound

Choke

Director: Clark Gregg

Stars: Sam Rockwell, Anjelica Huston

Classification: 18A

Rating: ★★★★★

intriguing enough, soon Victor falls in love with his mother's new nurse (Kelly Macdonald of *No Country for Old Men*) and becomes obsessed with finding out the identity of his father.

Sure, it's as convoluted as it sounds, but apart from some fascinating unconventionalities — like Victor wondering if he is the second coming of Christ — *Choke* is weakened by trying to overly

conform to romantic-comedy standards.

It's not Rockwell's fault. He certainly plays an obtuse character with sincerity. In fact, a great cast helps anchor a film that is practically gasping for a wicker chair.

Written and directed by actor-turned-filmmaker Clark Gregg — known for his supporting role on TV's *The New Adventures of Old Christine* — *Choke* unfortunately lacks a much-needed visual sense.

The story suffers when it's delivered with the straight-forwardness that Gregg gives it. When characters are this bent, the rest of the movie should be, too.

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Shoot on Sight thriller is dead on the money

Shoot on Sight

Director: Jag Mundhra
Stars: Naseeruddin Shah, Greta Scacchi, Om Puri, Brian Cox
Classification: 18A
Rating: ●●●●●

JIM REYNO
Metro Canada

REVIEW Shoot on Sight is a complicated drama that addresses family life, racism, politics, religion and terrorism. But in the end, it pays off as a good, old-fashioned police thriller.

A fictional story based on the London police's order to shoot suspected terrorists after the July 2005 transit-system bombings, Muslim cop Tariq Ali (Naseeruddin Shah) is called to lead the investigation of the killing of an innocent Muslim man at a subway stop.

Ali is the flashpoint for all the issues of this film. The pressure comes from everywhere: Distrusted by his coworkers, his own fellow Muslims and troubled by parenting problems. It seems Ali will never get any peace. Shah gives the role a quiet dignity and restraint. Yet, there's also an intensity; building and



Tariq Ali (Naseeruddin Shah) is a London cop caught between two worlds in Shoot on Sight.

building until the resolution of the story.

Director Jag Mundhra has a lot to handle, and the film is on the cusp of having too many story lines (some scenarios are brought up and promptly dropped). But Mundhra unfolds things naturally, so the complex story is never overwhelming or forced.

Shoot on Sight avoids the easy stereotypes: Terrorists bad, police good. No one gets to stand on any moral high ground for long. It's like real life: There are many factors at play in our lives, and we're

all flawed.

Mundhra effectively portrays the terrorists themselves, and gives us a sense of the frustration and desperation someone must feel to be willing to die to kill others. At the same time, we get the police perspective. If they shoot an innocent Muslim man because they think he's a terrorist, they're racist. If they don't prevent a terrorist attack, they're incompetent.

All of these ideas are presented in the context of an entertaining drama. Shoot on Sight isn't preachy — just fascinating.

Amal a gentle soul on film

Amal

Director: Richie Mehta
Stars: Rupinder Nagra
Classification: 14A
Rating: ●●●●●

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REVIEW Amal, the gentle auto-rickshaw driver at the centre of Richie Mehta's critically acclaimed film, could never have played for baseball manager Leo Durocher.

Durocher once reportedly said that nice guys finish last. But what if the nice guy doesn't even consider it a competition?

Amal, portrayed by Hamilton-raised actor Rupinder Nagra, leads an honest, unfettered life. There's family, work. That's it. In the bustling Indian city of New Delhi, surrounded by characters obsessed with money, Amal is as ambitious as a nap — and just as peaceful.

Mehta brings these



Rupinder Nagra plays Amal in the Richie Mehta film.

worlds together, and he does so without resorting to the usual fish-out-of-water clichés.

Nagra's performance is all restraint and subtlety. He says much more with his eyes and facial expressions than he does when he speaks. Koel Purie is the merchant Pooja Seth, a frequent customer of Amal's, and his love interest in the film.

Their screen chemistry is half longing, half tension, and it comes off beautifully. With these two, a simple gesture like a hand touch is sexually explosive.

An interesting subtext

here is the conflict between the old ways and the ever-forward march of technology: Amal's livelihood is being threatened by a new subway. And although the lush scenery of New Delhi is integral to the film, the story could have been set anywhere.

Nagra has said when he initially read the story of Amal, he was put off by the ending. There's no doubt some viewers will be frustrated. Some may even go so far as to say it's a copout. Others will say it's fitting.

Amal might say it is what it is.

Canada's answer to Spinal Tap: Anvil!

Documentary screening at Edmonton International Film Festival

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for Metro Edmonton



FEATURE Is it myth or metal, or both? That's the big question posed by Anvil! The Story of Anvil, a music documentary chronicling the rise and fall and rise of the titular Canuck speed-metal legends.

Anvil! is screening tomorrow night at the Empire City Centre Cinemas as part of the Edmonton International Film Festival. The movie will be followed by a live performance by the Toronto band at Century Casino.

The story goes that Anvil bandmates Steve (Lips) Kudlow and drummer Robb Reiner met as teenagers during the '70s and vowed to rock together forever. By the early '80s, Anvil was a force to be reckoned with in the world of heavy metal — as documentary testimonials by the likes of Metallica's Lars Ulrich and Slash (formerly of Guns N' Roses) attest to.

However, not long after

its peak, label problems and band-related strife relegated Anvil to the annals of rock 'n' roll obscurity. Today, Kudlow and Reiner are mere labourers in the Big Smoke, but they still get their band-on every weekend and continue to dream about landing their big break.

Director Sacha Gervasi first befriended the duo when he was a teenager living in England during the '80s and has stuck with the band ever since. While his documentary is already being called Canada's answer to Spinal Tap, the hard-luck story of Anvil seems a bit like The Blair Witch Project — like, can this movie possibly be real?

"I get that a lot. I directed the movie and there are still parts of it I don't believe myself," Gervasi laughs. "It's admittedly been a challenge convinc-

ing people that the movie isn't an elaborate ruse. Keep in mind that many people thought Spinal Tap was a real band when that movie came out. And Anvil's drummer has the same name as Spinal Tap's director — you can't make this stuff up."

The Story of Anvil, from the band's hallowed heights to a disastrous tour of Europe in 2005, is both

outlandish and, as it turns out, pretty inspiring too. Artists ranging from Pearl Jam's Eddie Vedder to Talking Heads' David

Byrne have emerged as champions of the film which may turn out to be the big break the band's been waiting for.

"Anvil was actually featured in a recent issue of Spin Magazine," Gervasi says. "The way people have embraced this story is absolutely surreal."

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BUSINESS News Corp.'s MySpace, the world's largest social networking site, unveiled a joint venture with all four major music companies in a bid to compete with Apple Inc.'s market-leading iTunes store.

MySpace Music is designed to win fans with a mix of unlimited free music, comprehensive music catalogs, concert tickets, merchandising and other entertainment features.

Kingston street logic

ROB MCMAHON
for Metro Canada

Dirty house, southern hip-hop and electro take a Caribbean holiday on Terry Lynn's new disc.

Kingston Logic 2.0 blends Lynn's reggae flow with MIA-style bangers. The album flips Sister Nancy's legacy into a satirical take on the rudeboys of gangster artists like Bounty Killer.

"I've been doing dancehall for a long time, and found it wasn't fulfilling anymore," she said. "You get 20 different artists getting onto one rhythm, and that does not allow the artists to express themselves."

Growing up with her mom in the markets of inner-city Kingston, trading rhymes with musicians who banged out rhythms on homemade drums, Lynn sharpened her skills by portraying the dark sides of



Kingston Logic 2.0 was released this week by Last Gang Records. For more information on the project, and to view photos from The Afflicted Yard, visit phreemusic.com or kingstonlogic.com.

Waterhouse.

"I'm really wondering if the world will be around much longer," she said. "I needed to do something about it in my own way, and that's what made me do my lyrical journalism."

The resulting album blends Lynn's stark lyrics with beats from Toronto-based producer Phred. Despite the difference in geography — Phred is from Calgary — the pair have a lot in common. Lynn's partner grew up listening to Jamaican music, and so despite pulling in influences from U.K. grime, dirty south, electro and French house, his beats are consistent with a Caribbean sense of rhythm. But even the album's most traditional-sounding tune — the

folksy crooner River of Babylon — contains the underlying menace of a distorted blast that echoes through the song.

"When me and Phred hooked up, we started drawing from different beats ... But our experiments are still Jamaican — that's still the root (of our sound)," she said. "It's like artwork: if everyone's painting on canvas, why not paint on piece of wood or piece of stone?"

Kingston Logic references the situations that Lynn has

"We started drawing from different beats ... But our experiments are still Jamaican."

Terry Lynn

watched growing up in Jamaica — a region where natural disasters, gun violence and the impact of economic policies vie for status in a cycle of tragedy. Income disparity and crime only add to the area's troubles, which include hurricanes and floods that tear houses apart during seven-month rainy seasons. The dark mood is reflected in the project's accompanying artwork: Peter Dean Rickards' photographs of The Afflicted Yard and shots of Lynn pointing a massive revolver.

"Those images are not meant to induce violence — I'm against violence. I use satirical images to explain what goes on," said Lynn. "I'm trying to raise awareness about crime and violence in Jamaica ... (and that) while some people can enjoy the beaches, most people — underground people, grassroots people — are struggling with their daily lives."

Rocking the campaign trail

SoundCheck

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While Former U.S. President Ronald Reagan

was beloved by conservatives, he was generally reviled by those on the left, including much of the rock 'n' roll community. Strange, then, that Ronnie was the one to usher in the era of the rock-song-as-campaign song.

Up until 1984, candidates for high office in North America tended to avoid using rock music to pump up the crowds at rallies, conventions and speeches. Some — like Richard Nixon — even used ad agencies to custom-write songs.

In '84, though, Reagan's people (starting with conservative writer George Will, who thought that Bruce Springsteen might actually endorse Reagan) wrongly interpreted Born in the U.S.A. as a patriotic song and began using it at rallies that September. Springsteen — a long-time registered Democrat — was most annoyed and asked that they cut it out. Meanwhile, Democrat Walter Mondale chose Bill Conti's Gonna Fly Now, the theme from all the Rocky movies. How cliché.

The '88 campaign was a snoozer with George Bush's This Land is Your Land by Woody Guthrie (who, ironically, was a life-long socialist) facing off against Michael Dukakis and Neil Diamond's America.

Leave it to Bill Clinton to shake things up by introducing Fleetwood Mac's Don't Stop in 1992, a song that became inseparable from every Clinton who has campaigned for office

Election 2008

ever since. Bob Dole couldn't do any better than a re-worked version of the Sam and Dave song, Soul Man. "Dole Man" was downright embarrassing.

Things evolved dramatically for the 2000 election. Al Gore's Democrats enlisted some Canadian help from Bachman-Turner Overdrive's You Ain't Seen Nothin' Yet, which was augmented by The Call's Let the Day Begin. Meanwhile, current U.S. President George W. Bush countered with Right Now from Van Halen — but only after Tom Petty threatened to sue over the Republicans' appropriation of I Won't Back Down. (In a classic screw-you move, Petty performed the song for the Gore faithful just minutes after Al conceded.)

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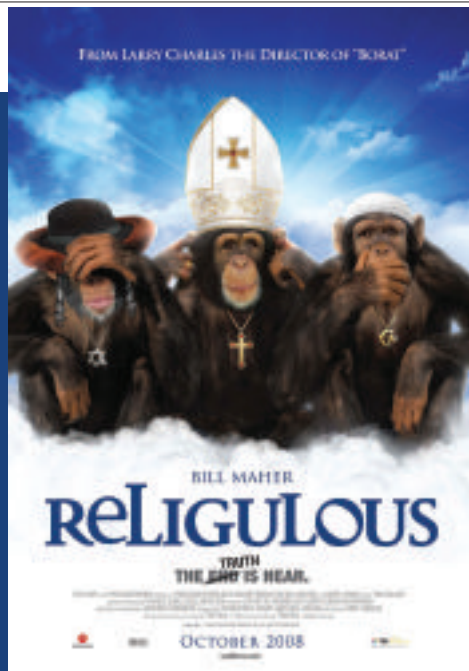
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- 3 I Kissed a Girl
- 4 Katy Perry
- 5 Whatever You Like
- 6 T.I.
- 7 Disturbia
- 8 Rihanna
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People buys pricey photos of Aiken

Exclusive photos of singer Clay Aiken with his son, Parker, in the issue of People in stores today, reportedly cost the magazine \$500,000 US.

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Television

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SCARY NUMBERS: The reality was awful to behold, but the idea behind having five reality TV hosts at the helm of last Sunday's dismal Emmys award show had a brute logic to it, especially when you look at the ratings for the last year of network primetime. According to the numbers for the

The awful reality of TV ratings

last 52 weeks, the top six shows were the two nights of American Idol, and four nights of Dancing With The Stars from both the spring and fall series.

You have to get down to seventh place to get to a non-reality show — NBC's Sunday Night Football — and it isn't until ninth place before a drama shows up on the list — Fox's House, with 14.9 million viewers, just under

half of the numbers for the first place Idol performance show. Two And A Half Men is the only sitcom on the top 20, way down in 16th place — a sad but telling indicator of how far the genre has fallen in recent years.

It's not at all surprising to find reality competition shows like Idol or DWTS up there with a venerable institution of sports broadcasting: the appeal of both

shows is similar, as they're more like events than just entertainment, the sorts of shows that still rely on a communal viewing experience, if only so that you won't have the pay-off spoiled for you the next day when reading the newspaper or listening

"Sports and competition reality are the last healthy remnants of scheduled TV viewing left on primetime."

to commuters and co-workers talk about either the results or the score.

Sports and competition reality are the last healthy remnants of scheduled TV viewing left on primetime, as drama and comedy consumption has slid into the realm of post-broadcast

viewing on PVRs and downloading in the short term, and weekend-long DVD season box set marathons in the long term. Looking to the pitiless bottom line, network primetime has become little more than a delivery system for cheap but cheerful and formulaic reality competition shows.

Rick McGinnis writes about music, movies, books and television, but not opera.

Metro's 7th Heaven: What's hot right now

1 Clay Aiken
Props to singer Clay Aiken for revealing he's gay. While rumours of his sexuality had swirled for years, him wanting to raise his son not to lie or hide things is commendable.

2 Death Magnetic, by Metallica
Metallica's recently released new CD, Death Magnetic, has been a top seller for the seven-time Grammy Award-winning band.

3 Cancer Bats hit the road
Cancer Bats are on another stretch of touring. The band will stop in 10 Canadian cities, having started Monday in Banff, Alta., and wrapping up Oct. 2 in Sudbury.

4 Kelly Osbourne
Kelly Osbourne, the 23-year-old reality-TV star and daughter of rocker Ozzy Osbourne, has inked a deal with Virgin Books to release a book next year about her life, including insights into her battle with drugs and subsequent spells in rehab.

5 Chaos in Motion's tour on DVD
Chaos in Motion 2007-2008 DVD, a compilation of concerts from the band's Chaos in Motion world tour, which ran June 3, 2007-June 4, 2008, encompasses 115 shows throughout 35 countries. The DVD is out on Tuesday.

6 The Amazing Race
The 11 teams competing in the 13th installment of The Amazing Race will travel more than 48,000 km spanning five continents in 23 days, all in a bid to win \$1 million US. The season premieres Sunday at 8 p.m. on CTV. Phil Keoghan, pictured, is back as host.



7 Sing for You, by Tracy Chapman
Tracy Chapman is finally back. Her new album, Our Bright Future, doesn't come out until later this fall, but fans can already listen to the new single off the disc, Sing For You, showing Chapman's still got it.

O'Brien fighting addiction again?

PEOPLE TV co-host Pat O'Brien has reportedly checked into rehab for the second time this year in a bid to kick his alcohol addictions, imdb.com reports.

O'Brien is reportedly seeking help at an undisclosed location, just days after he was fired as co-presenter of The Insider last week.

If the reports are true, it will be O'Brien's third attempt at rehab. He previously sought treatment in March 2005, and again earlier this year.

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Phillips doing 'great' in rehab

PEOPLE One month after being arrested and charged with heroin and cocaine possession, actress Mackenzie Phillips is "doing great," People.com reports her sister as saying.

"She's in recovery now, and we're so proud of her," Bijou Phillips said. "This whole thing is the best thing that's ever happened for her. We're so happy ... It's like we have our sister back."

Mackenzie, 48, has long struggled with drug addiction and has checked into rehab several times.

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FRIDAY

ED	C	B	S	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
9/26/08	2	CFRN	239 318	eTalk	Hollywood	Greek (Season Finale) (N)	The Mentalist "Pilot"	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	News (N)			
	3	KHQ	- 370	Presidential Debate (Live)			America's Toughest Jobs (N)	Be-Millionaire Jeopardy! (N)	Wheel-For-Tune			
	4	CBXT	- 307	Coronation St.	Jeopardy! (N)	Air Force Live	Comedy Fest.	Doctor Who	The Hour			
	6	KREM	- 372	Presidential Debate (Live)			The Mentalist "Pilot"	To Be Announced				
	7	CKEM	241 347	Law & Order: SVU	Secret Life of American Teen		Survivorman	Kaya	Most Amazing	Your City		
	8	CTV	240 339	ET Canada	Entertainment	Alternatim: The World Without Humans		NUMB3RS (HDTV)	News Hour			
	12	CBXFT	119 705	Du coeur au ventre (SC)	Paquet voleur (HDTV) (SC)		Une heure sur Terre (N) (SC)	Le Téléjournal (SC)	TJ Alberta			
	13	KXLY	- 371	Presidential Debate (HDTV) (Live)	Analysis		TwoHalf Men	Smarter Than a 5th Grader?	20/20 (N)			
	16	KAYU	- 373	Presidential Debate (HDTV) (Live)				Smarter Than a 5th Grader?	To Be Announced	News (N)		
	19	CHTV	-	The Insider (N)	E News	20/20 (Part 1 of 2) (N)		Deal or No Deal	News (N)			
	22	KSPS	- 374	Presidential Debate (HDTV) (Live)				Bill Moyers Journal (N)	NOW on PBS	Being Served	Tom Jones: Th	
	15	CBNCN	502 -	Presidential Debate (Live)				CBC News: The National	Presidential Debate (Live)			
	54	CTVN	501 391	CTV Newsnet	News	CTV Newsnet	News	CTV Newsnet	News	CTV Newsnet	News	
	20	TSN	400 400	CFL Football Edmonton Eskimos at Winnipeg Blue Bombers	Sportsnet Con.	MLB Baseball Los Angeles Dodgers at San Francisco Giants		SportsCentre	Boxing: Casamayor vs. Marquez			
	23	net	408 418	MLB Baseball	Get Back to Dirt	Trackside AL...	(HDTV)	Formula 1 Briefing (N)	Sportsnet Con.	Inside GP		
	47	SPEED	417 406	WWE SmackDown!	Score Tonight	Hardcore Hockey Talk		WWE SmackDown!				
	94	SCORE	410 403	The Next Star (N)	What a Girl Wants * (2003, Comedy-Drama) Amanda Bynes.			The Next Star	Falcon Beach			
	14	YTV	552 543	Little Bear	Miss Spider	Comfy Couch	Rolie Polie Olie	Beren Bears	Dragon	Backyardigans	Dora-Explorer	Go, Diego, Go!
	17	TREE	553 546	Zack & Cody	Zack & Cody	CSI: Miami "Payback"		Criminal Minds (HDTV)	CSI: Miami (HDTV)	CSI: NY		
	45	FAM	557 541	CSI: NY (HDTV)	Tasty Travels	Food Safari (N)		Dinner Imposs.	Glutton-Punish.	Tasty Travels		
	29	FOOD	615 520	Man vs. Wild (N)	UFC 75: Champion vs. Champion			Daily Planet	CSI: NY "Stuck on You"	GameTrailers		
	38	SPIKE	628 584	Supernatural (HDTV)				(9:05) Howling II: Your Sister Is a Werewolf * (1985)				
	43	SPACE	627 528	At the Movies	Star-at Movies	The Tonight Show-Jay Leno			Celebrity Rehab With Dr. Drew	Hollywood		
	50	STAR	621 56									

SATURDAY

ED	C	B	S	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
9/27/08	2	CFRN	239 318	W-Five Presents	Raymond	Law & Order: SVU	CSI: Miami "Inside Out"	CSI: Miami "Inside Out"	Criminal Minds "Lucky"	News (N)		
	3	KHQ	- 370	News (N)	Health Link	CSI: NY "A Man a Mile"	The Rocket *** (2005, Biography)	Roy Dupuis, Patrice Robitaille.	Billy Elliot (2000, Drama)			
	4	CBXT	- 307	Hockeyville	Health Link	Operation Smile Free surgery.	CSI: Miami "Inside Out"	Criminal Minds "Lucky"	48 Hr. Mystery			
	6	KREM	- 372	Survivorman (DVS)	Disasters of the Century	3600 secondes d'extase (SC)	Metel: A Headbanger's Journey ** (2005) (DVS)	Kenny-Spenny	Trailer Park	News (N)		
	7	CKEM	241 347	Disasters of the Century	Le Moment de vérité (SC)	3600 secondes d'extase (SC)	Dre Grey, leçons d'anatomie	Le Téléjournal	Les Jeux paralympiques			
	12	CBXFT	119 705	(6) College Football Illinois at Penn State or Virginia Tech at Nebraska			Explorers TV	Inside Edition	The Insider (N)	Ent. Tonight		
	13	KXLY	- 371	Boston Legal			Cops (N)	America's Most Wanted	News (N)			
	16	KAYU	- 373	The Soup			House "Pilot"	Fashion Police: Emmy Awards	News (N)			
	19	CHTV	-	The Law	Behind Ballot	Desperately Seeking Doctors	Time Goes By	Sat. Report	Weekend	Sat. Report	Mansbridge	Doctors
	22	KSPS	- 374	The Law	Behind Ballot	Desperately Seeking Doctors	Time Goes By	Sat. Report	Weekend	Sat. Report	Mansbridge	Doctors
	15	CBNCN	502 -	Sat. Report	Behind Ballot	Desperately Seeking Doctors	Time Goes By	Sat. Report	Weekend	Sat. Report	Mansbridge	Doctors
	54	CTVN	501 391	CTV Newsnet-Scott Laurie				News	CTV Newsnet	News	CTV Newsnet	News
	20	TSN	400 400	CFL Football	BC Lions. From BC Place Stadium in Vancouver.			Boxing Jelena Mijicovich vs. Laksysha Williams.				
	23	net	408 418	MLB Baseball	World of Outlaws Williams Grove.			Low Life	Dodge Test	Unique Whips		
	47	SPEED	417 406	World of Outlaws Williams Grove.				Strikeforce				
	94	SCORE	410 403	Footy Show	X-Fighters	Wolverine	Transformers	Naruto	Blue Dragon	Zatch Bell (N)	Bleach	Storm Hawks
	14	YTV	552 543	Adrenaline	Mystery Hnt.	Comfy Couch	Little Bear	Toy Castle	Dragon (DVS)	Backyardigans	Dora-Explorer	Go, Diego, Go!
	17	TREE	553 546	Beren Bears	Toopy & Binoo	That's-Raven	Zoe 101	Life Derek	Han. Montana	Bob the Butler ** (2005, Comedy)		
	45	FAM	557 541	Natural-Sadie	Flight 29 Down	The Sopranos (HDTV)		The Sopranos (HDTV)		CSI: Miami "Bait"		
	25	AEE	615 520	CSI: Miami (HDTV)	Dinner Imposs.	Bobby Play	Top Chef	Top Chef		Iron Chef America		
	29	FOOD	615 520	After the Catch Health crisis.				A Haunting "Spellbound"		Dirty Jobs "Micro Algae Man"		
	38	SPIKE	628 584	CSI: Crime Scene Investgtn.				TNA IMPACT!				
	43	SPACE	627 528	Sarah Connor Chronicles				Blade II ** (2002, Horror) Wesley Snipes, Kris Kristofferson.		Once Bitten * (1985)		
	50	STAR	621 56	In Style Celebrity Weddings				Fabulous Life	Old Skool	TMZ		

SUNDAY

ED	C	B	S	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
9/28/08	2	CFRN	239 318	Law & Order	Flashpoint	The Amazing Race 13	Desperate Housewives	Desperate Housewives	News (N)			
	3	KHQ	- 370	(6:15) NFL Football Philadelphia Eagles at Chicago Bears.				Best Sports	Law & Order: SVU	CSI: NY		
	4	CBXT	- 307	Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest ** (2006, Adventure) Johnny Depp.				The Amazing Race 13	Cold Case "Glory Days"	The Unit		
	6	KREM	- 372	News (N)	Up Front	60 Minutes (N)	Friends	Friends	Survivorman (DVS)	Reviews		
	7	CKEM	241 347	Murdoch	American Dad	Brothers & Sisters (N)	The Simpsons	King of the Hill	Family Guy (N)	American Dad	SNMASH (SC)	
	12	CBXFT	119 705	Decouverte (N)	El Dieu créa	Tout le monde en parle (HDTV) (SC)	Extreme Makeover: Home	Extreme Makeover: Home	Family Guy (N)	American Dad	Final Score	
	13	KXLY	- 371	News	Storm Stories		Extreme Makeover: Home	Extreme Makeover: Home	Family Guy (N)	American Dad	Final Score	
	16	KAYU	- 373	House "Paternity"			To Be Announced	Extreme Makeover: Home	Family Guy (N)	American Dad	Final Score	
	19	CHTV	-	Stars-Makeup	Party Parents		Extreme Makeover: Home	Extreme Makeover: Home	Family Guy (N)	American Dad	Final Score	
	22	KSPS	- 374	Spain ... On the Road Again	Nature (DVS)			Masterpiece Mystery! (N) (DVS)	Masterpiece Mystery!			
	15	CBNCN	502 -	CBC News: Sunday Night (N)	Sex Slaves Sex trade in Europe and its ties to Canada.			CBC News: Sunday Night	CBC News: Sunday Night	Sex Slaves		
	54	CTVN	501 391	CTV Newsnet-Scott Laurie	News	CTV Newsnet	News	CTV Newsnet	News	CTV Newsnet	News	
	20	TSN	400 400	(6:15) NFL Football Philadelphia Eagles at Chicago Bears.				SportsCentre	Motoring 2008	Triathlon		
	23	net	408 418	Saturday Night Poker	Hockeycentral: Season Preview			Sportsnet Connected (Live)	Ulit. Fighter	101 Cars-Drive		
	47	SPEED	417 406	Wind Tunnel-Despain	Pinks - All Out (HDTV)			Wrecked	Wrecked	Wrecked		
	94	SCORE	410 403	Strikeforce	Poker Pacific Poker UK Open.			Poker - Learn From the Pros	Final Score	Final Score		
	14	YTV	552 543	The Next Star (N)				Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol	Falcon Beach	
	17	TREE	553 546	Rolie Polie Olie	Little Bear	Bucket-Dinos	Toy Castle	Life Derek	Dragon (DVS)	Backyardigans	Dora-Explorer	Go, Diego, Go!
	45	FAM	557 541	Natural-Sadie	Flight 29 Down	That's-Raven	Zoe 101	Life Derek	Han. Montana	Camp Nowhere ** (1994, Comedy)		
	25	AEE	615 520	CSI: Miami (HDTV)				The Cleaner "Rebecca"		CSI: Miami (HDTV)		
	29	FOOD	615 520	Iron Chef America				Iron Chef America		Iron Chef Am.		
	38	SPIKE	628 584	CSI: Crime Scene Investgtn.				Daily Planet		CSI: Crime Scene Investgtn.		
	43	SPACE	627 528	Conan the Destroyer ** (1984, Adventure)				(9:15) Quest for the Mighty Sword * (1990, Fantasy)		Conan		
	50	STAR	621 56	Look-A-Like	Star-at Movies	Girl Next Door	In Fashion	To Be Announced		The Ellen DeGeneres Show (N)	Girl Next Door	

Celebrity Buzz

Stone didn't lose custody: lawyer

PEOPLE Actress Sharon Stone did not lose physical custody of her young son with ex-husband Phil Bronstein, imdb.com reports her lawyers as saying.

According to documents detailing a custody hearing earlier this month, Bronstein would "have permanent sole physical custody of child. (The) court finds that respondent Sharon Stone failed to meet her burden of proof and denies respondent's (Stone's) request for modification of custody." But the documents also stated: "Custody, visitation, holiday and vacation schedule shall remain in place as outlined on

10/4/07 order," — a document which stated that Stone had joint physical and legal custody of her son Roan, according to website TMZ.com. The only reason that the case went to court again was in an attempt to get her son to move to a school in California, according to the star's lawyer. Marty Singer says, "She wanted the court to modify the order so her child could go to school in Los Angeles. But the court felt that, for whatever reason, that she did not meet a burden to move him out of San Francisco during the school year."

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Watts allegedly shouts down paparazzi

OUTBURST Pregnant actress Naomi Watts reportedly lashed out at the paparazzi in Los Angeles after her repeated requests for peace were ignored, imdb.com reports.

The star was roaming Beverly Hills with close friend Rebecca Rigg when she was pursued by a group of photographers. But the 39-year-old confronted the snappers when they refused to leave her alone. "What do you think

you're doing to us? What the f—k do you think you are doing?"

Watts yelled, according to the Sydney Daily Telegraph. Watts then ran into a nearby building and tried to wrestle a camera from a photographer.

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Dita on Winehouse: 'I could tidy her up'

PEOPLE Burlesque star Dita Von Teese has offered troubled singer Amy Winehouse a makeover — and wants to start with her wardrobe, imdb.com reports. The

dancer also hopes to tackle the Rehab hitmaker's iconic beehive and thick makeup. "No matter how much she breaks down, she still has the beehive of sorts and the outfits and eyeliner," Von Teese says.

"When I see pictures of her I wish I could tidy her up a bit."

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Wedding bells for Nicky?

COUPLES Fashion designer Nicky Hilton and her TV producer boyfriend David Katzenberg are planning a winter wedding, imdb.com reports. The couple, both 25, has been dating for the past two years.

"They are thinking about a December or January

wedding," an insider tells Star magazine. "They want it to take place after the Christmas and Jewish holidays." Hilton is the sister of Paris Hilton and daughter of Hilton hotel heir Rick and Kathy Hilton. Katzenberg's dad is movie producer Jeffrey Katzenberg.

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Schefft a bachelorette no more

ENGAGEMENTS Former Bachelorette star Jen Schefft is engaged to her boyfriend, Joe Waterman, People.com reports.

"I'm so excited and so happy," says Schefft, 32.

The couple, who live in Chicago, met on a blind date in February. Their matchmaker: One of Schefft's previous blind dates, with

whom she didn't click. Schefft appeared on the ABC matchmaking show The Bachelor in 2003 and starred on The Bachelorette in 2005.

She went on to author the relationship book Better Single Than Sorry and is now director of ad sales for Heavy.com.

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celebrity briefs
Splitsville for Portman, beau

BREAKUPS Natalie Portman and her folk-rock boyfriend Devendra Banhart have broken up, People.com reports. Portman, 27, began dating Banhart after starring in his Car-mensita video, which was shot last March.

Drunks nearly ruined wedding

PEOPLE Patrick Dempsey and his wife have no decent photo memories of their wedding day — because their photographers were drunk, imdb.com reports. The Grey's Anatomy star married Jillian Fink in 1999, but their big day was almost ruined when the snappers drank too much alcohol before the ceremony.

"That was the only disastrous moment," Dempsey said. "But it was kind of entertaining."



Lucas prefers brunettes

PEOPLE Actor Josh Lucas has set his sights on a new belle — model Julia Restoin-Roitfeld, imdb.com reports. A friend of the star, who has dated Anne Hathaway and Salma Hayek, tells Star magazine, "He loves exotic-looking brunettes. He has a serious crush."



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"This makes no sense at all..."

by Joe O'Neill

The last time Sharon Stone was in the news, we saw her drawing on her vast reserves of philosophical education, geopolitical knowledge, and fortune cookie messages to opine that the Sichuan earthquake was less a natural disaster than karmic retribution for China's policy on Tibet. Now I have to wonder, is Sharon Stone's failure to gain custody of her son a case of her suffering the bite of karma for invoking karma? Is motherhood simply not one of her Basic Instincts, or is it just a really bad idea to mess with the Chinese? Of course, Stone's lawyer wants you to believe that his client hasn't been denied physical custody, she just couldn't change the specific arrangement. I'm going to ignore that, because if I were interested in the facts I wouldn't be writing on this page, and you, dear reader, wouldn't be reading it. We want salacious and unfounded explanations for celebrity phenomena, where the least factual is always the most accurate. We want to learn that Stone's setback is either a result of her repeatedly crossing and uncrossing her legs in front of the judge's bench, or of her failure to do so. We want to know where the judge has plotted her on the Scale of Awful Motherhood. Where does she rank in relation to say, Joan Crawford, Dina Lohan, Livia Soprano, and Medea?

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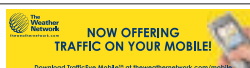


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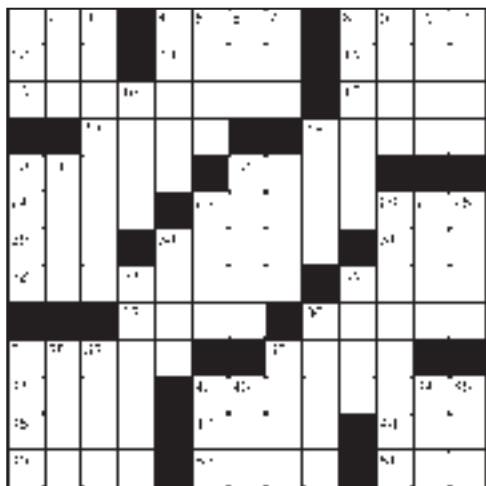
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Take Five



Sudoku

HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

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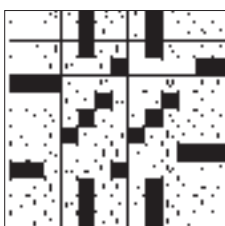
Crossword across

- 1 Hot tub
4 Duel tool
8 Vatican VIP
12 Surprise cries
13 Cager's tactic
14 Satan's specialty
15 Be at odds
17 Collections
18 Addict
19 Haiku, for one
20 Family-night activities
22 Castle protector
24 Met melody
25 "Full House" cast member
29 Corral
30 His work inspired "Cats"
- 31 Fish eggs
32 Algonquian bigwig
34 Angle
35 Actress Hayworth
36 Sanctify
37 "Ivanhoe" author
40 Gridlock sound
41 Protuberance
42 Maternity-ward announcement
46 Bakery employee, at times
47 Archie Bunker's creator
48 Born
49 Flower
50 Fat
51 Coll.transcript no.

Crossword down

- 1 Turf
2 — Beta Kappa
3 Pretentious
4 A cube has twelve
5 Kitten's call
6 Away from WSW
7 Scratch (out)
8 Spain's euro forerunner
9 Finished
10 Seeds
11 Differently
16 Cruising
19 Really big
20 Spaces
21 Neighborhood
22 Actress Kelly
23 Bassoon's cousin
- 25 Rorschach picture
26 Hello
27 Quite a long time
28 Kennedy and Koppel
30 Send forth
33 Blood line?
34 Postings on one's Web site
36 Plank
37 Use scissors
38 Gabrielle Chanel
39 Idolaters' recitations
40 Despot
42 Feeling poorly
43 Afternoon social
44 Agt.
45 Meadow

PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



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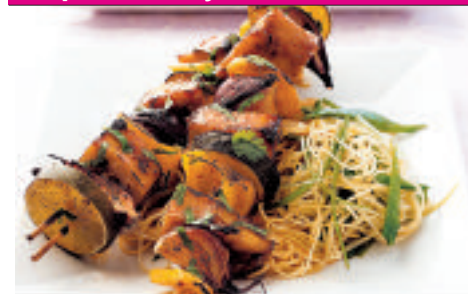
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SUDOKU SOLVE TIME:

Under 13 minGenius
13-17 minScholar

17-21 minSmart
21-25 minNot bad
25+ minKeep practising

Recipe of the day



Teriyaki Swordfish Kebabs with Sweet Chili Noodles

INGREDIENTS:

550 g thick swordfish steaks
4 small red onions, quartered
1 large yellow pepper, seeded and cubed
2 limes, sliced in wedges

MARINADE:

4 tablespoons teriyaki marinade
1 tablespoon clear honey
1 teaspoon sesame oil
1 garlic clove, crushed

SWEET CHILI NOODLES:

250 g fine Chinese egg noodles
1 tablespoon sunflower oil
2 garlic cloves, sliced
1 tablespoon finely chopped fresh ginger
120 g snow peas, sliced
6 green onions, shredded
4 tablespoons sweet chili sauce
2 tablespoons reduced-salt soy sauce

METHOD:

1. Soak wooden skewers in cold water for 30 minutes. Preheat barbecue.
2. Cut swordfish into bite-sized pieces. Mix together marinade ingredients in a bowl, add fish and toss to coat. Thread fish

onto skewers, alternating the fish with red onions, peppers and limes.

3. Barbecue kebabs over medium heat until fish is just cooked but still slightly translucent in the centre and golden-brown. Turn kebabs halfway through cooking and baste with remaining marinade.

4. While kebabs are cooking, cook noodles according to package instructions. Drain. Heat oil in a wok over high heat and cook garlic and ginger for 30 seconds. Add snow peas and green onions and stir-fry for 1 minute. Add noodles with the sweet chili and soy sauces, stir and toss together for 2 minutes.

5. Spoon noodle mixture onto plates and top with fish kebabs.

Nutrients per serving: calories 663, carbohydrate 79g, protein 49g, total fat 15 g (saturated fat 3g). **SERVES 4**

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Horoscopes

ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20

Force a modification with your no-nonsense suggestions. Be vigilant about an emotional issue. Take a good look at how to avoid financial havoc.

LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23

Time spent with a needy person leads to a loss of energy. An inferiority complex will come in handy. A furtive lover is to blame for a botched job.

TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21

Lovers will have touching moments. Wake up to the possibility of someone being wrong. Find the hidden value in a loser.

SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22

Watch out for any weird reactions. Analysis will cast doubt on a special advantage. An unexpected visitor can calm your ragged nerves.

GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21

Avoid an absurd confrontation. Someone will be impatient for an improvement. Focus on a man's lame excuse.

SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21

Be prepared to go where the action is. Melodramatic friends will cause mayhem with a budget. Second thoughts will create turmoil.

CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22

It's all right to stop punishing yourself. Unappealing suggestions will concern chores. A stranger's tolerance will surprise and please you.

CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20

An illness has unforeseen consequences. Challenging moves will be the best. Temper tantrums will stop vehicles and traffic.

LEO

JULY 23-AUG 23

People will complain about a misunderstanding. You won't want to leave your comfort zone. Someone is trying to con you.

AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18

A situation is better than it looks. Speak the truth even when you're overwhelmed by daydreams. A man will instigate career projects.

VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22

A hunch should be taken seriously. Someone's complaint will go unheard. Analyze your reactions to an unprovoked insult.

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FEB 19-MARCH 20

A sourpuss pays a call. New ventures are strange and thrilling. A wise man's agreement will make a difference.

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